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Third Entry in Selectman Race

Nicholas DeFelice, of Commonwealth avenue has announced that he will be a candidate for election as Selectman, in the March elections. De Felice's announcement is the first of any kind in Wilmington, so far this year, that ensures any kind of political combat. Until now there has been but two contestants for the two seats open, Charles H. Black, present chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and Larz Neilson, Wilmington newspaperman.

DeFelice has been a resident of Wilmington since 1940, and is married to the former Louise Babine. The couple have five children. A veteran, he served in the European theatre, during World War II, and is a member of Wilmington Post 136, American Legion. De Felice is a partner in the Brooks and Eaton express company, of Reading.

De Felice is a member of the building committee, for the new school on Wildwood street. In a statement to the press last night, he said that his service on this board had been of such nature that it has aroused his interest in the business of the town in which he has chosen to make his home. "I have enjoyed my work," said De Felice, "and I have learned a lot, in serving the town. I hope to be in a position where I can serve it better."

A former resident of Wakefield, De Felice is 38 years old.

BABY SON TO HILLSON'S

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hillson, of Marion street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Jan. 15th, in Choate Memorial hospital in Woburn. They have one other child, Patricia Ann.

Sharing grandmother honors are Mrs. Harold Hillson of Brand avenue, and Mrs. Edith Arnold of Lawrence.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON LOWELL STREET

A parked car belonging to Walter Quinn, Jr., of Doris Ave. Billerica was damaged, when it was struck by another car on Lowell street, on January 15th. The damaged car was towed to Cain's garage, while the second car received only slight damage. N. Nicotie, 51 Thorndike street, North Andover, told the police that he did not see the parked car. Deputy Chief Hoban and Officer Markov investigated for the Wilmington police.

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"FACING LIFE'S TRAGEDIES" SERMON AT METHODIST CHURCH

"Facing Life's Tragedies" a sermon based on the revealing novel growing out of the Korean war will be the subject of the sermon to be preached by the Rev. Richard E. Harding at both the 9:15 and 11:30 a.m. worship services, Sunday, January 24. The novel, "The Bridges of Toko-ri" written by James Michener lends itself to the study of the problem of evil in human experience.

The story is built around Harry Brubaker a veteran of world war two, who married and settled down in Denver, Colorado to practice law after the war. Two lovely daughters came into the home. Soon after the Korean affair came along and Harry Brubaker was called back into service as a jet pilot on an aircraft carrier. There were dangers to be faced on every flight, but one mission stands out above all others. The North Koreans were getting supplies across four bridges which spanned the river at Toko-ri. They were situated down in a long valley, so that if they were bombed, the only approach was to fly down into the valley at one end, zoom along its length, and out at the other end—in the face of guns that were aimed and waiting. The jet planes did it!

Harry Brubaker came through with one bomb left. He dropped it on a munitions dump, and a stray bullet hit his plane. Harry had to ditch his plane, but he was spotted by North Korean soldiers, and as rescue attempt was made and failed, Harry Brubaker was killed.

Through the entire story runs the bitter refrain, "why?" It is to this question that the sermon meditation will be directed.

REFRIGERATOR CALL

A call to the home of Augustus T. Norton, 67 High street, was made by the Wilmington Fire Department on Jan. 17th, at 3:27 p.m., when the refrigerator developed a gas leak.

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STUDY OF CATHOLICISM TO BEGIN TONIGHT

"The study of the religion of our Catholic friends will begin on Wednesday evening, January 20, at 8 p.m." the Rev. Richard E. Harding announced to his congregation at the Wilmington Methodist Church last Sunday morning. The historical background will be discussed at the first meeting and three major areas will be studied. The first being "When All Christians Were One; the second, How the Catholic Church Interprets the Protestant Reformation and The Catholic Church in America.

The book being used for the study is entitled "Primer on Roman Catholicism for Protestants" by Stanley I. Stuber. The book has been written with the scholarly supervision of leaders of the Catholic and Protestant faiths.

An invitation has been extended to all interested persons in the community of Wilmington to attend these study groups which will continue through the month of February meeting each Wednesday evening from 8 to 9 p.m.

MRS. CAVANAUGH BECOMES GRANDMOTHER TWICE ON SAME DAY

Mrs. Rose Cavanaugh, 168 Middlesex avenue, became a grandmother twice last Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cavanaugh of Reading, was their first child, a baby girl, Mary Elizabeth, in the St. John's hospital, in Lowell. Mrs. Cavanaugh is the former Elizabeth Gilligan, daughter of Mrs. Mary Gilligan, Town Clerk.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kearns, Rushville, Nebraska, was a baby boy, their fifth child. Mrs. Kearns is the former Marguerite Cavanaugh, of Wilmington.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO MEET TONIGHT

Wilmington High School Alumni Association will hold a meeting, beginning at 8 p.m., in the cafeteria of the high school.

AUTO PLATE STOLEN

James M. Reid, 216 Lowell street, reported to the Wilmington police on Jan. 16th that license plate 511173 had been stolen from his car.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON ANDOVER STREET

A collision, in which light damage resulted to both cars, occurred on Andover street, near Salem street, at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 18th. Driver of one car was Dr. Ernest MacDougall, Middlesex avenue, and driver of the other was Frank B. Enos, Shawsheen avenue.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING JAN. 28

Wilmington Congregational Church is to hold its annual meeting, on January 28th., in the church.

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ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING OF THE WILMINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

The Annual Church meeting of the Wilmington Methodist Church will be held on Thursday, February 4 beginning with a fellowship supper to be served at 6:30 p.m. It has been announced that the supper will be served under the chairmanship of Mrs. Elmer Branscombe. Members of the senior youth fellowship will and some of the mothers will assist in the kitchen. Friends and members of the church are asked to contact their respective circle chairmen for ticket reservations or call Mrs. Branscombe, Oliver 8-2423. The fellowship supper will be a cost supper with adult tickets costing seventy-five cents and children's tickets fifty cents. Immediately after the supper movies will be shown all the children in order that parents may remain for the conference.

Reports will be given of the years progress of the organization within the church and the whole financial picture to date. The Rev. Archer Strait, District Superintendent of the Lynn District, will serve as chairman of the conference. The reports are to be prepared in booklet form and each family present will receive a copy for their study during the proceedings of the conference.

ALUMNI VS VARSITY NEXT WEDNESDAY

Wilmington High School's basketball teams are to play the Wilmington High School Alumni teams, next Wednesday, in the Eaton School (Reading Junior High), next Wednesday. The girl's game is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

MOTHERS MARCH ON JANUARY 28TH

Mike Barry, chairman of the Wilmington March of Dimes committee is pleased at the progress of the committee to date. The Mother's March will take place this year on January 28th, he reports. Funds are already rolling in to the local committee headquarters. Among the checks received in the last few days was one from the Wilmington High School Student's Council.

FLOODED OIL BURNER

The Wilmington Fire Department was called out at 12:30 a.m. Jan. 18th, to the home of William J. Keen, on Westdale avenue. The trouble was found to be a flooded oil burner. The cold was so intense that it took two hours to thaw out the fire-truck, on its return to the station.

CORRECTION

Last week's Crusader had an article about the Wilmington Skating club, part of which was in error. The by-laws of the club state that membership is only open to residents of Wilmington, and that people of other communities may use the rink only as guests of paid up members from Wilmington. Residents of Wilmington cannot be accepted as guests, as the membership fee is purposely kept small. An adult annual membership is only \$1, and membership for a child, for one year is 50 cents.

SNOW REMOVAL NEEDED

Postmaster Henry J. Porter reports that a number of homes have not removed the snow, near the mail box, or to the front door, so as to impede and hamper the delivery of mail. He warns that if the postoffice mail is delayed because of this inattention it may be necessary to delay the delivery of mail to offending homes, in order to serve those places that are not hampering delivery.

REPORT ROYAL JORDAN KILLED

A report, which cannot be confirmed, but is believed to be true, states that Royal Jordan was killed, in an airplane accident in the Mediterranean, last week.

Jordan was a well known resident of Wilmington, about 40 years ago, and attended the Wilmington schools. He lived on Church street, in the present home of Charles H. Black, chairman of the selectmen.

INCOME TAX AGENTS IN WOBURN FEB. 11th.

Internal revenue agents will be on hand, in Woburn, to help citizens in making out income tax returns. Woburn city hall is to be their office, as they will answer any questions from taxpayers.

ACCIDENT ON PARK STREET

James P. Hicks, of Steward Road, North Reading had damages to his car, on the front end, as a result of an accident on Park street, on Jan. 16th, at 2 p.m. No other car was involved.

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TOWN MANAGER FUNCTIONS

People in Wilmington have heard this phrase used, and sometimes have not clearly understood it. We think an excellent illustration was the work done in Wilmington square, last week, after the snow storm.

Wilmington square was cleared up thoroughly, and with a minimum loss of time. This was done by the Town Manager hiring some equipment for the job, after which he stayed up all night, to see that the job was done. We are not necessarily singing praises because he stayed up all night. He is the best judge of what his hours should be—but we think that the job was very good, and that it is an excellent illustration of what a Town Manager Function is.

Incidentally, we thought that the snow removal, on the whole, was very well done. Perhaps it was an oversight, at the section of the lake district, where a sidewalk was not plowed, but this, too, was eventually done. Everywhere else the work was very prompt, and very good.

We liked, especially, to watch the two Walters snow-fighters, working in tandem, clearing two thirds of the street at one time. Very efficient use of town equipment.

THE WILMINGTON BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT

Carried elsewhere in this week's Crusader is an account of a meeting, held Monday night, in the high school, by friends of the Boy Scout movement.

Wilmington has always occupied a very fine position in scouting. Interest here has always been better than in adjoining towns and cities, and the town can be proud of the movement, as displayed here.

At the same time, due to a number of reasons, Wilmington has reacted to scouting in the same manner that it has reacted to a number of other things. One of the reasons, we suspect, is based on geography, which we hope to go into more thoroughly, in a later paragraph.

Wilmington scouts have been affiliated with the Greater-Lowell Boy Scout Council ever since 1924. Our scouts have partaken of the activities of that council, have used camp Wah-tut-ca, and have much to thank the council for. In accordance with the rules of the Boy Scout movement, the scouts in this town must be a part of a council, and Lowell seems to be the answer.

Yet—Wilmington has apparently not contributed towards the cost of operations in the Greater-Lowell Council. In the past the council has been able to "get along" without this aid, but now it finds that more money is needed, and it is asking that Wilmington help to bear part of the burden. No specific sum is asked, just some contributions, as much as can be made. The council needs another \$3000, to operate this year, and it is asking for money from several sources, Wilmington among them.

The shame of it is that Wilmington has to be asked. Too long has this town been having a "free ride" on the shoulders of other people.

Why has this been? That is a hard question to answer, but, as we said a few moments ago, Wilmington is an odd town, in some respects, due to reasons, we suspect, of geography.

Most of the people of Wilmington work in Boston, and have friends and relatives in Greater-Boston. A number of people would like the town to be a part of Greater-Boston, as was evidenced, for instance, when the telephone company proposed to include this town in a Lowell exchange. Not being a part of Greater-Boston, a reaction of being ornery has been displayed, in more ways than one, frequently. People of Wilmington, working in Boston, and asked to contribute to the Greater-Boston charities, by reason of their work, resent that Wilmington does not come in on these charities, and this causes them to have a surly attitude towards any other effort, from any place. At least, so we suspect.

Actually, there is no reason that we can understand why the people of Wilmington should not contribute to the Greater-Lowell Boy Scout Council. Our enrollment, believe it or not, is larger than any part of the council. With about 10,000 residents, out of a total of about 150,000 residents in the council area, it might be thought that Wilmington would have 1/15th of the scouts in the area. Actually it has 1/8th! Twice as many, per capita, as any other part of the Greater-Lowell Council, including the city of Lowell itself!

We should be proud of the way the boys in our town are availing themselves of this great movement. We should be proud to the point where we are willing to dig down in our pocket, and help our boys pay their own way.

DANGER AT DUSK

Darkness falls at this time of the year, at a particularly bad time. Children, on their way home from school, and others, hurrying to reach home, are using the same streets that the motorists use. In many cases, because of the snow, there are no sidewalks, and pedestrians and motorists are attempting to use the same space.

This is the time for caution. This is the time for the motorist to remember that in the dark spot ahead there is a good chance that someone will be walking. Pedestrians, too, should realize the danger. Some people are liable to leap out of the road, but others cannot do this. Flashlights, carried and displayed, will do much to avert the danger. Clothing should be chosen with an eye to visibility, from the motorists viewpoint. Light colored clothing seems to show up best.

Take time to be careful.

Ken Staples, the Dodgers' bright young catching prospect, was a standout high school and semi-pro hockey player in St. Paul before entering pro ball and was offered a contract by the Chicago Black Hawks in 1955. The youngster chose a baseball career and made an aus-

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picious debut in 1946, leading the Northern League in batting during his freshman year with a rousing .332.



O. W. Bennett

NATIONAL CUB SCOUT DIRECTOR TO VISIT LOWELL SCOUT COUNCIL

On Thursday and Friday, January 21st and 22nd, O. W. "Bud" Bennett, National Director of Cub Scouting Services will be at the Scout Headquarters, 49 Kirk street in Lowell, bringing with him, many years of experience in youth leadership thru the Boy Scouts of America.

Bennett will meet on Thursday, with a group of Cub scout pack organizers, whose job it will be to organize many more cub scout packs, to meet the needs of the thousands of boys of 8, 9 and 10, who are now ready for cub scouting.

On Friday evening, "Bud" will preside at a meeting, known as a giant Cubber's Pow Wow at the Auditorium of the Y.W.C.A., on John street in Lowell. All Cubmasters, their assistants, Den Mothers, Committeemen and all persons interested in youth activities are invited to attend. Mr. Bennett is an author and artist, devoting his full time to Cub Scouting. His interesting stories and articles in the Scouting magazine and in the Cub Scouting program supplement is known to all cub scout leaders. Here is a wonderful opportunity to meet Mr. Bennett in person, and learn the skills of cubbing first hand, from our national director.

Cub Scouting is a program for boys, from the age of 8 through 11, and all parents are urged to attend this "Cubbers Pow-Wow", which will start at 8 p.m. sharp on Friday night, January 22nd, at the Y.W.C.A. Hall on the corner of John and Paige streets, just off Kearney Square in Lowell.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF O. W. BENNETT DIRECTOR OF CUB SCOUTS

O. W. Bennett, as National Director of Cub Scouting Service, Boy Scouts of America, develops and promotes the Cub Scouting Program of the organization for boys 8, 9, and 10 years of age. He prepares training helps for the leaders of Cub Packs, including visual aids, program notebooks and other literature dealing with Cub Scouting.

Mr. Bennett is a native of Redfield, South Dakota, where he received his early education and where he was a Boy Scout for three years. He was a volunteer leader in Scouting for ten years as Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop Committeeman and Field Commissioner at Redfield and at St. Paul, Minnesota.

He attended the University of Minnesota and Minneapolis Advertising and Display School. Following fourteen years in advertising and sales promotion during which time he was President of the Minnesota Display Association and of the Stillwater Junior Chamber of Commerce, he decided to make Scouting his life's work.

Mr. Bennett graduated from the 71st National Training School for Professional Leaders in Scouting. In 1941 he became Field Executive and then Assistant Executive at Toledo, Ohio. He then became Scout Executive of the Mound Builders Council at Middletown, Ohio in 1944 where he remained until the Spring of 1947 when he joined the National Staff as Assistant to the National Director of Scouting services. On September 1, 1949, he became National Director of the Explorer Service. He was promoted to his present post on March 1, 1954.

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AUGUSTUS S. MEANS CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER

Representative Augustus G. Means (R., Essex) today announced his candidacy for State Treasurer.

He has served four years at the State House, representing the Second Essex District, and was a selectman for three years in his home town of Essex. He is now Essex Town Moderator. Last year he was an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention in Chicago.

Rep. Means' experience on Beacon Hill includes being House Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, a member of the Committee on Agriculture and a member of the Special Commission Studying Organized Crime in Massachusetts.

At home, he owns and operates a 150-acre livestock farm which keeps him going from dawn to dusk in the off-political season. He is married to the former Mary Callan of Milton and they have four children: Gussie, Jr., 6; Posie, 5; Daisy, 3; and Roseanna, 1-one-half.

During World War II, Means served as an infantry sergeant in Europe under the late General George Patton. He was decorated by the French government with the Croix de Guerre, and received this country's second highest military award, the Distinguished Service Cross, for "conspicuous gallantry."

His citation describes the incident which earned him the DSC as follows: It was at Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge. Means' company was pinned down by machine gun fire. He stood up and fired into the machine gun nest several times until he was shot in the chest. Severely wounded, he crawled forward, dropped a grenade into the enemy position and silenced the machine gun.

Means was born in Beverly, and he is the grandson of the late Congressman Augustus P. Gardner and the great grandson of the late Senator Henry Cabot Lodge. He was educated at Culver Military Academy, the University of Massachusetts and Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. "As a young man with a background of experience in government, a businessman, father and veteran, I invite your support for my candidacy for State Treasurer," Means said today.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 104

Girl Scout Troop No. 104 held its regular meeting at the Walker School, on Tuesday Jan. 5th. The meeting was opened by Vice Pres. Maureen

Hurley.

President Nancy Cutter being ill, business and badge work was discussed after the business meeting. The girl scouts helped Judy Condrey enjoy a birthday cake and Ice Cream it being Judy's 11th birthday. Refreshments were provided by Mrs. S. Condrey. Games were played and the meeting closed with the wishing circle.

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His series, which will be filmed in Hollywood, is entitled "Pitfall," and the producer is reported to be getting the full cooperation of several city police departments in the expose of conditions, and environments which contribute to juvenile crime. Special investigators and newspaper reporters are being assigned to cover juvenile courts and police records in four key areas. Each half-hour film will deal with an actual case of juvenile crime.

Scrabble, the game that is sweeping the country like wildfire, is also going to become a TV feature. Film producer Frank Rosenberg is preparing a format which includes a moderator, who will be a well-known comic, and a panel of regular players and audience participants. Dr. Samuel Spitz, inventor of Sonar underwater detection equipment, has designed an electronic Scrabble board for the new show. Ah! the wonders of electronics! It takes a top designer to come up with something new in electronics... and top designers have produced the newest look in TV... the ultra magnificence of beauty and performance of Majestic TV. See it yourself at MacLELLAN'S APPLIANCE & TV CENTER, Main St., Tewksbury. Phone Lowell 7106.

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REPORT FROM
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WILKINSON

Your State Legislature has made a good start this year having disposed of more than 150 matters during the first full week, including the very controversial "flat rate" automobile insurance bill which was defeated after two roll calls.

Last year there was a new administration with new committees to be appointed whereas this year the committees were all set up with a few vacancies, caused by death or resignation, to be filled.

The Speaker of the House called to-gether the Chairmen of various committees several days before the House opened and as a result of that conference public hearings were set up to start the day after the House opened thus gaining more than a full week on last year.

Among the questions asked the writer is—"Why doesn't the House open in the morning instead of 2 p.m. The answer is that every member is on one or two committees which committees meet in the morning for public hearings on the bills assigned to that committee. Following the public hearing the committee then goes into executive session when the bills heard that morning are thoroughly discussed and the committee then make a recommendation, either favorable or unfavorable which report is then given to the Clerk of the House who in turn places it on the Calendar to be brought before the House for action. Until the bills have gone through that procedure there is nothing for the House to act on. It is something like a mill. There is no use to start the wheels turning until some grain is brought in. Later in the year after the public hearings are over the House will open earlier probably around 11 o'clock.

The writer has filed a bill which comes up for a public hearing next Tuesday, January 26th at 10:30 a.m. which is of interest to every automobile owner in the State. It reads in part "That upon the transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle or trailer and the acquisition of another motor vehicle or trailer, the registration shall continue in force as a valid registration for such other motor vehicle or trailer for a period of two days where the owner has procured a certificate therefor as defined in section thirty-four A." This bill seeks to do away with the present condition where one drives the old automobile into the garage but before the new automobile may be taken out a trip must be made to the Registry to fix up his registration. This bill would give the owner the right to transfer his plates to the car and then drive to the Registry. Your thoughts on the bill would be appreciated.

Charles E. Wilkinson

DEATH OF ARTHUR BLAKE

Arthur F. Blake, 77, a resident of Wilmington for 43 years, died last Saturday in Lowell hospital, after a long illness. Mr. Blake was born in Caanan, N.H., and lived in Peabody for some years before moving to Wilmington. He was the superintendent of Harriman's tannery for over 40 years, before his retirement some years ago.

He is survived by two sons, James D. Blake and Charles H. Blake, 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Lawrence Porter of Danvers.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, at the Nichols Funeral Home, on Middlesex avenue, with the Rev. Stanley Cummings, of the Congregational church conducting the services. Burial was in the family lot in Woodlawn cemetery, Salem.

MAPLE MEADOW MOTHER'S CLUB

The ladies of the Maple Meadow Mother's Club are to meet next Monday, at 8 p.m. in the hall of the East Wilmington Improvement association, on Lowell street. There will be a swap party, after the business meeting, and each member is asked to bring a gift for the swapping.

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In one team is Ann MacDougall and David Fuller, 4th grade, Walker school, Dianna Imbimbo and James Corum, fifth grade Buzzell school, and Warner Allen and Michael Crotty, sixth grade Buzzell school. The other team, all from the Junior high school building, is composed of Betsey Flight, and Robert Blackburn, fourth grade, James Melzar and David Townley, fifth grade, and Elaine Bertwell and Richard Drover, sixth grade. Pictures of the contestants appeared in yesterday's Boston Globe.

Alternates for the Buzzell school are Peter Neilson, Charles Dolan, Jeanne Wood and Joan Ducas. Alternates from the Junior high school building are Alfred Fairbrother, fourth grade, Richard Damelio, fifth grade, and Larry Pellerin, sixth grade. Alternates from the Walker School are Lorraine Matthews and Ralph Kelmon.

Judges are Mrs. Isabelle Burns, teacher at the Buzzell school and George F. Coan, teacher at the junior high school. Nelson Bragg, of Boston is the quizmaster. The winning team will receive a Rand McNally Premier Atlas. Each con-

testant will receive a "quizz-down" pin, and each pupil having a question used on the program will receive an automatic pencil set. This is the first time the quizzdown has ever appeared in Wilmington.

OLD COLONIAL HOME
CHANGES HANDS

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin J. Curl have announced the sale of their colonial home, on Andover street, to Mr. W. J. Bradley, of Lawrence, Mass. The building, and eight acres of land stand just north of the Wilmington pumping station. The building is thought to date from 1780, and was at one time a home or one of the many branches of the Eames family.

Known for many years as the Brewster Nichols house, the place was in the hands of that family until about 50 years ago, being sold sometime after the turn of the century.

The original building is thought to have been the portion that now includes the sitting room bath, living room, and rooms above. The present dining room is thought to have been the original kitchen, and was undoubtedly when built, the dining room at the same time.

At about the time of the beginning of World War I, the home was purchased by a Mr. Jackson, who had been born in England. Jackson had the style of the building altered to conform with his ideas of English architecture. He added bays to the dining room and living room, and extensively altered the entrance hall,

so as to provide a more comfortable stairway to the second floor, the original stairway being very narrow. Jackson, who was in the plaster and stucco business in Melrose, stuccoed the outside of the building so that it lost its "Colonial" look, and has so remained ever since.

A shop, in the very back of the building was at one time a cobbler shop, in front of the building, very close to Andover street. Traditionally, this shop was at one time the home for an entire family of nine, during a winter after their own home had burned down.

The house originally had five fireplaces, but there are only four today. A dutch oven, in the old kitchen fireplace, is said to be still existing, behind the present dining room wall.

CONGREGATIONAL

The Church School Board will meet at the parsonage on Thursday at 8 p.m.

The speaker at the WORLD Vis-

ion Institute next Sunday night will be Dr. Kwang Won Kim, a Professor at Boston University, who will speak on "The Influence of the Church in Korea".

The annual meeting of the Church will be held on Thursday, Jan. 28th, starting with a supper at 6:45 p.m.

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Parents Rate More Than A Monthly Check

By Reverend Joseph Manton

SOME SOCIAL WORKERS tell us that today, when it comes to taking care of their own old father or mother, many young people, otherwise, almost pious, have callouses on their hearts.

Our parents provided for us for many years when we could not provide for ourselves. Why should we not do as much for them now? Maybe they are a care, and tie us down. Do you not think we were a care when we were young? Perhaps they are cranky and crochety now and then; so were we. Maybe they upset our routine a little; we used to upset their whole house.

I DO NOT IMAGINE it is easy to be old. There are many old parents living in little rooms, all alone. Do you think it is enough if a son or daughter mail them a few dollars every month? Surely they deserve more than mere support. They are hungry for more things than food—hungry for a little affection, a little visit, a little remembrance, a little love. All this is not sentimental charity. This is our solemn bounden duty. It is the Fourth Commandment.

Practically the last words our Blessed Lord preached from the pulpit of the Cross were addressed to St. John. Looking toward Mary, His Mother, He said

to him, "Son, behold thy Mother!" as if to say, "Be good to her, take care of her, when I am gone." The eyes of Christ still look lovingly on those who are good to their parents before they are gone.

FOR EXAMPLE, often a daughter gives up her own motherhood to take care of her mother. In return the world is pretty cruel to her, pinning on her the label of old maid, spinster. They forget that when her generation walked up the aisle to marriage, she was not left behind; she stayed behind. For the young and vigorous that is not always easy.

The girl who cares for a parent, the girl who takes her mother's thin arm as she hobbles down toward the sunset, when she might have slipped her arm into some man's and headed toward the sunrise of a new life of her own, the girl who is pitied as Aunt Peg or Aunt Sue—this girl is not pitied by God. I think God loves her dearly and will reward her richly. Maybe she is not a saint; but she belongs to those martyrs not of blood, but of blood-relationship, who do not lay down their lives but who give them up.

THAT GOD WHO LOVES old people will write high in His Book of Life, the Catalogue of Heaven, those who appreciated and valued and cared for the treasure they had, their own old mother or father.

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Rev. J. Manton

PARISH BANQUET MONDAY NIGHT

Tickets for the parish banquet and entertainment to take place next Monday night in St. Andrew's parish hall, may be had at the Rectory or from Mrs. Paul J. Hayes, ticket chairman. The event to feature a chicken pie menu is to be served by Lowell's prominent caterer, Marty, with 6.30 set as the hour.

Proceeds from the event will be added to the parish fund for the new parochial school and will mark the opening of the second year of the drive.

SALVATION ARMY NEWS

Although all signs are pointing to probably the largest corps of Women workers volunteering to participate in the history of The Salvation Army's Friendly Appeal in Wilmington, Mrs. Ralph Jackman, the Residential Chairman who lives at 4 Hathaway Road, today urges that civic-minded ladies join their friends who have already agreed to help conduct the approaching residential "good neighbor" canvass of every home.

"We are aiming to live up to our slogan of 'more people giving' rather than asking people to give more," Mrs. Jackman stated, "and the only way we can hope to do that is by reaching every home. We know only too well how household expenses are mounting day by day, as indeed are many other items which women have to guard so carefully in their every day budget. Therefore we are aiming to have as complete coverage of homes in Wilmington as possible. Only in this way can Wilmington be assured of going 'over the top' for the friendly appeal—the appeal which asks you to give what YOU feel you can afford," Mrs. Jackman concluded.

Meanwhile business and residential leaders, encouraged by the enthusiastic response on the part of volunteer workers to date, were likewise enthused by immediate favorable reaction to the campaign slogan "the more you give the more Wilmington benefits."

"Every volunteer worker can feel that she is part of an 'Army' of Public spirited citizens, who will take part in the Friendly Annual Appeal in Wilmington," Mrs. Jackman continued. "Let the women of Wilmington prove that they can do one of the best jobs of the ladies

anywhere. If you would like to enlist in this cause of helping those in need of every age and race, color and creed, and your services have not already been requested, please phone me at Oliver 8-3184. You too, can join the army of volunteers in this crusade against poverty and need -- this campaign to help rehabilitate broken bodies, broken hearts and broken souls."

For names of those who have already volunteered their services, please contact Mrs. Jackman.

TO PARENTS OF PACK 58

Cub Scouts of Den 1 and 2 are invited to attend the Pack meeting on January 26 at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall. This meeting is very important. Cub Scouts must be accompanied by their parents or an adult.

SKUNK MAY BE MASSACHUSETTS SYMBOL OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION.

The Division of Fisheries and Game is drawing attention to its exhibit at the sportsmen's show, Mechanic Hall, Boston, February 6-14, by running a contest to choose a pet skunk as a symbol of wildlife conservation.

Wise cracks notwithstanding, the common skunk is an excellent symbol for wildlife conservation, states Red Chaplin, educational consultant to the Division of Fisheries and Game. Like the subject of wildlife conservation and its needs, the skunk is a much misunderstood animal, and although numerous, most people know very little about them.

One of the best illustrations of the value of skunks to nature's scheme of things, says Chaplin, is the story related by Carl Lydiard, superintendent of Cochrane State park, about a large commercial duck farm of Boston. Several years ago the operators of this farm were losing ducks by the dozen to unknown sources, and not just little ducklings, either. Even full grown birds were regularly disappearing.

The culprits were finally discovered to be snapping turtles present in a farm pond used daily by the ducks. It later came out that the farm operators had killed all skunks they could catch, since they were known to occasionally eat duck eggs. What was not considered was the important fact that skunks also eat TURTLE eggs!

A combination of ridding the duck pond of snapping turtles, protecting skunks on the farm property and keeping duck nests out of reach solved the problem. The skunks, not being able to find duck eggs within easy reach, reverted to their natural habit of digging up turtle eggs by the basketful.

Results? The ducks could use their pond in perfect safety, because skunks were allowed free run to hold down the turtle population.

Here's another value skunks have that is little known. Skunks will

parade up and down rows of vegetables, picking off insects, slugs and caterpillars, far more methodically and thoroughly than do song birds. A whole family of skunks will keep this up all night long.

What better subject to popularize wildlife conservation could be found? Besides, says Chaplin, they're cute little critters, and one of the few wildlife species that people can keep legally.

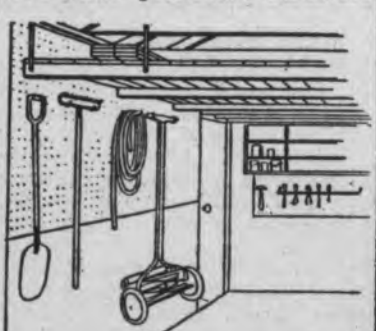
P. S. Don't go picking up any polecat you see side of the road just to enter this contest. 'Taint recommended!



'Working Walls' in Garage

MOST garages are used for miscellaneous storage, as well as for housing the family automobile. They're customary depositories for window screens and storm windows, garden tools, bicycles, wagons and a host of other things that have to be stored some place.

A way has been discovered, however, to free the garage corners and rafters of their clutter. Simply go to a lumber dealer and obtain some perforated hardboard



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PREVENT injuries when using a screw driver by maintaining and handling it properly! These tips were issued by the National Safety Council, and they're worth a thought by every home craftsman.

1. Never use screw drivers with split or splintered handles.
2. Always use a screw driver that fits the screw.
3. Dress the point if it is worn, bent or broken.
4. Use an awl, auger, drill, or driven nail to start each screw. On rough work use a hammer.
5. Place the work on a flat surface; do not hold it in your hand.
6. For electrical work, use screw drivers with insulated handles.



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Better Than Terry Moore?

Ernie White, manager of the Sally League Columbia Reds, says that young Jim Bolger, who moves up for a trial with Cincinnati this year, is the defensive equal of Terry Moore. White, who played with Moore on the Cardinal teams of the field plays Moore couldn't make.

Anthracite mines are using a machine that loads a coal car in a minute and half, formerly a half-day job for a miner.

Oil-Derived Skeletons

The skeletons that hang in closets of medical and dental colleges these days look spooky and human, but many of them actually are plastic. Made of an oil-derived polyester resin, molded to reproduce human bones, the plastic skeletons replace hard-to-get real skeletons. Other advantages are their teeth, which are perfect, full sets, and their bones, which can be replaced if they break. Students and practicing doctors and dentists benefit from the new discoveries which oil helps to place on American markets.

In the year recently ended, New England consumed 2,529,596 tons of hard coal, a figure indicating that anthracite is still big business, and still an important factor in New England economy.

Brooklyn's Bobby Morgan gets the nod as the National League's most consistent performer as the following chart attests. The figures represent Bobby's official record in six departments during his three NL seasons. (He spent 1951 at Montreal.)

Year 1950 - Games, 67; At Bat, 199; Hits, 45; Runs, 38; S.H., 2; Homers, 7.
Year, - 1952 - Games, 67; At Bat, 191; Hits, 45; Runs, 45; S.H., 2; Homers, 7.
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Kenneth Greeno, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Greeno, is in the Coast Guard Hospital, in Manhattan, being treated for ear trouble. He was home for a day recently.

Mrs. Benjamin Griffin, of Cross Street, is confined to her home with bronchitis.

The Lantern Club of the South Tewksbury Methodist Church held its annual dinner and meeting, Saturday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ray, on South Street. After a delicious meal pre-

pared by members of the club, the election of officers was held. The following officers were elected; President, Mrs. Thomas Ray, Vice President, Miss Dorothy Ackles, Secretary, Mrs. George O'Connell, Treasurer, Mr. G. M. Palmer. The President appointed Mrs. Merton Curtis, and Mrs. G.M. Palmer, to be on the Games Committee, while Miss Ackles appointed Mrs. Clifford Greeno, Rev. and Mrs. Tuell, to work with her on the Program Committee. After election of officers, the group discussed their forthcoming play, to be held in March.

A group of young people, accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Peters, Mr. George O'Connell, and Mr. and Mrs. John Carpenter, went skating, at a Roller-rink in Lowell, last Friday evening. Upon returning, the group enjoyed refreshments, and

games in honor of Miss Nancy Peters, who celebrated her birthday that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jackson announce the engagement of their daughter, Joyce, to Donald Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Fleming, of Lake Street. There has been no definite date set for the wedding, but it will take place some time in the summer.

The South Tewksbury Methodist Church announces the following services and activities; Thursday, Commission on Missions will meet at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, Senior Choir rehearsal at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Church School for all ages, with the adults class meeting in the parsonage, at 9:45 p.m. Rev. Tuell's topic for the Sunday morning worship service, will be, "Can Modern Man Believe in Prayer". Methodist Junior Fellowship will meet at 3:15 p.m. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 4:30 p.m., Evening worship at 7:00, with Mr. Tuell preaching on the evening Subject "Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles." Monday, Commission on Education; Tuesday, Woman's Society of Christian Service, study group, 8:00 p.m.

GRANGE MEETING

The regular meeting of the Wilmington Grange was held last Wednesday evening, with Master Clarissa Bushey presiding. Guests were present from Winchester. The charter was draped, in memory of Blanche MacQuaid. Refreshments were served by Beulah Swain, and her committee.

The annual meeting of the Wilmington Grange Hall Corporation was held after the regular Grange meeting. Elected president was Clarissa Bushey, and Jeannette Rocco was elected vice president, with Irene Magnusson secretary, and Margaret Calnan treasurer. The Board of Directors elected were Anthony Rocco, Edward Lawson, Harold Swain, Alida Barbant and May Magnusson.

At the next meeting of the Wilmington Grange, on Jan. 27th, there will be an entertainment after the business session, by the Wilmington High School Dramatic Club. The business session will start at 7:30 pm. Refreshments are to be served.

POMONA GRANGE

The next meeting of the Middlesex Essex Pomona will be held Saturday Jan. 23th at the IOOF Hall, Stoneham, starting at 4 p.m. Supper reservations should be made by Jan. 20th, by calling Jeannette Rocco, OL-8-4414. Entertainment will be provided by a hand-writing expert.

P of H CLUB

The regular meeting of the P of H club was held last Thursday at the home of Jeannette Rocco, with 12 members present. The meeting was in charge of president Zelia O'Connell. Refreshments were served after the meeting. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Mary Starr, on Thursday Jan. 28th.

SONG WRITER CLAIMS RELIGIOUS SONGS HERE TO STAY

Washington - Religious songs are here to stay according to Kathleen Twomey, whose "Serenade of the Bells" in 1948 pushed religion into top spot on the hit parade.

What's more, she says, they've got a right to stay. The soft-spoken song writer believes current popularity or religion in song reflects two things: "The general trend toward religion today; and the open-minded interest that has developed in this country."

Miss Twomey's latest song, "Robe of Calvary", is presently soaring out of tin pan alley into national popularity. It rated number one with 1,000 public high school students polled by a Boston disk jockey.

"Religion has always been part of music and you can't strip it from popular songs," claims Miss Twomey. By studying American folks music she learned that Americans long ago put their religious ideals in song. Explaining the large number of hits she has been turning out, she pointed to her secret: "I don't write about moon and June - I tell a story."

Washington (IES) - A year's end estimate of the Democratic Party as called from experts.

- (1) The party is not in too good shape.
- (2) Stevenson and Steve Mitchell are the party's greatest assets.
- (3) Stevenson is the biggest performing attraction since Roosevelt, and the party is not worried about finances so long as the Democrats will pay \$100 a plate to hear him.

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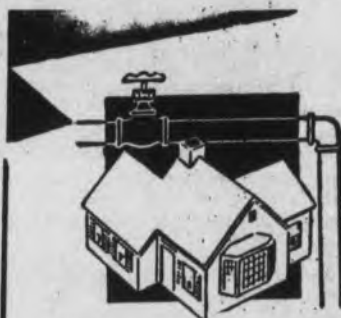
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Entertaining America

By Paul D. Emmons

One of the most interesting characters ever to live in Wilmington was William C. Stevens, who used to reside at No. 191 Woburn Street in North Wilmington. Professionally known as "Bill Crawford", here is his life story as he related it to me in 1937.

He is now dead, but in 1937 he was an old circus man and showman - seventy years old his next birthday. For nearly sixty years he followed the sawdust trail or trod the mimographic boards.

From New York to San Francisco, from New Orleans to the Canadian border, from Halifax N.S. to Crow's Nest in the Province of Alberta, from the horse-and buggy days right down to the present time, he played in circuses, honky-tonks, dime museums, variety shows, vaudeville theatres, fair grounds, expositions, school halls, department stores, and nearly every form of human assembly where entertainment is provided.

He was with Sig Sautelle, Harry Mann, Goldmar, L. W. Washburn, Al G. Barnes, Barnum and Ring-

ling, all well known circus men in their day, with the Young Buffalo Wild West show, Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, and Pawnee Bill. He was a boy magician, fire eater, electric coil operator when electricity was in its infancy, handcuff king, spirit cabinet operator, illusionist, barker, announcer, circus rider, side show manager, equestrienne director, claim agent for a circus, and Punch and Judy performer.

In 1937 he still had three acts. Trained dogs; Punch and Judy; and a clown act.

And here is his story, as he told it to me in 1937.

I was born in Danvers, Mass. November 4, 1867. They didn't have any nut-shop there then, but after I left they put one in to fill the vacancy.

Father came up from New Brunswick and went to work for his brother-in-law who ran a grist mill in Danversport. Mother came up later and they got married in Danvers, but moved to Everett, Mass. when I was a small boy.

I was allowed to put on long trousers at a very early age. Soon

afterwards, along with some other kids, I went over to Chelsea to see the old Reynolds Bros. circus one afternoon. We also skipped school, as I remember by the after effects.

Attracted by the glamor of the profession, I had decided to join it if I could muscle in some place where they'd have me. But even in those days I showed some glimmering of sense. I didn't try to water the elephant because that was too much like work. Pretty soon I began to make myself useful to the man who sold the pink lemonade. He looked me over.

"Want to join on?"

"Sure!"

"How about your folks? Where are your parents?"

"Oh, I'm an orphan!"

"All right."

And he began to tell me what to do.

The other kids went home and told mother. Later she came around to collect her "orphan". But I had gone on with the circus to Gloucester. So next day father had to give up a much-needed day's pay to come down and get me.

He only made eight or nine dollars a week. Father was a laboring man and a gentleman.

But I still had the show bug, which was a bad thing in those horse-car days. Every chance I got I gave it a fling.

Before long I had a job pumping the organ in the Baptist Church. This was on Friday evenings. I also peddled papers on Sundays, and did any odd jobs I could so as to pick up a little change to take me over to Boston.

Yes, they had amateur nights way back there. At the old Boylston Theatre on Washington Street. But it was very hard to muscle in with that tough bunch of South End kids. Finally I discovered that I could get on at Gray's Opera House on Chardon Street.

This was a place where they sold beer right in the audience, put on leg shows, and all sorts of things. It was a dump, and supposed to be awfully wicked, for those times.

Friday nights, I found, gave me the best chance of getting over there. All I had to do was to hire a substitute to pump the organ. Father and mother thought I was doing my duty at the church and didn't bother about me.

Everything went along nicely for a while. Then I forgot to pay my substitute for a few weeks. He went to see mother, and there were no more amateur nights for me for quite a while.

All I could do was to sneak over to Boston every chance I got and patronize the shooting galleries. The principal one was Miller's on Court Street. A large, pretentious place. Or so it seemed to me then.

It was a saloon with a shooting gallery in the basement. A very nice place, like all Germans ran in those days. Very popular. The sporting people from all over the country patronized it when they were in Boston. It had a big bar, restaurant, and moving figures.

Every time my mother sent me over to buy tea at the old Atlantic & Pacific store on the corner of Howard and Court Streets, I'd skin a few pennies someshow and go down to Miller's. Sometimes I did it by walking or bumming a ride back and forth between Boston and Everett, and sometimes I had a few left from what I managed to earn through the week.

I got to be a pretty good shot. Later the church was going to have a festival in the Town Hall in Everett. I suggested to the minister that we put in a shooting gallery and run it as part of the show. He thought it was a good idea. I rigged one up on one side of the hall. Only had one gun, and a few targets, and it was a wonder nobody got killed. But I done so well the first night that I was able to buy another gun - a Flobert rifle, which I still have.

In fact, I did more business than anybody else in the show. Everybody was delighted, and nobody questioned what I turn in. So I deducted the price of the rifles, and, - well, I gave 'em what you might call a percentage cut. That gave me a financial idea that I've found very useful ever since. It's always a good thing to have the first handling of the money.

When I finally got a regular job on the boards I started out as a magician. And the first job I tackled was being a fire eater. But I didn't last long at that. It was too darn tough.

You had to take some cotton balls

soaked in gasoline, and put them into your mouth by sleight of hand so the audience wouldn't catch on. Then you would exhale the gasoline vapor and set it afire by some kind of light waved in front of your face. So long as you had your wind with you and kept a steady pressure of air behind the vapor you could keep the fire away from your face. But if you slipped up and allowed a few drops of gasoline to come out onto your lips it was just too bad.

Then another fellow and I doubled up and done what they called "double magic". We were among the first to do the spirit cabinet and trunk act, and handcuff release. The same stunt that Houdini afterwards carried to perfection. And by the way, he and his wife were just starting. Only he made a study of the thing, and see where he got. We didn't.

My partner was Albert Eddy. In the Spring of 1888 we were in New York. He had a girl in Boston, and wanted to go back there. I didn't have any girl at that time, and wasn't interested in going to Boston. So we split up.

I saw an add in the old New York Clipper - "Wanted: a young man magician."

That was my first experience with a circus. It was the celebrated "Signor Sautelle", usually called "Sig". He had a mud show - a wagon show, in other words. I signed up with him as a side show magician, getting nine dollars a week and found. Which was big money for him to pay, as I found out afterwards, for he was noted for paying low salaries.

Sig was a character. He was an old Grand Army man, and had been a Punch and Judy performer before the Civil War. He had also been with old Adam Forepaugh's show, and Barnum's circus back in the '60s.

He knew his business and was boss of the show all right. But he had a boss over him. That was his wife, Maria.

She had the "red wagon" as the ticket wagon was always called (it was painted that way, too) sold all the tickets, handled all the money, and was the power behind the throne. Never a performer herself, she was a small woman with not much to say. But she knew how to handle the public, and she knew how to handle Sig.

She'd call him.

"Sig."

"Gosh dang it, Maria, don't bother me!"

And he'd come, in spite of his bluster.

Once she called him clear from New York City to Syracuse. And he came, with a bunch of newspaper reporters reaching for his coat tails. That was years later when I was with the Barnum show, and we were playing in Madison Square Garden.

Sig came to New York on business. Visited the show one matinee and renewed acquaintance with a lot of people who had worked for him in the old days. Talked with me and I asked him where he was stopping.

"Oh, over at the old Putnam House."

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Vatican City - Strongly urging the union of European nations, Pope Pius XII said here recently: "Secure and lasting peace is above all a question of spiritual unity and of moral dispositions. . . . The present state of affairs will not improve unless all nations recognize the common spiritual and moral ends of humanity. . . and mutually agree to oppose the cause of division reigning among them in the discrepancy of the standards of living and productivity."

The work for a union of Europe is strongly encouraged, the Pope said, by "the manifest failure of the contrary policy and by the fact that the ordinary people in these countries expect it and consider it necessary and possible."

Turning to those who, in advance,

ask for "an absolute guarantee of success," the Pontiff said: "The supreme incitement to action is the gravity of the moment through which Europe is struggling. There is no security for her without risk. To demand absolute certainty is to fail in good will toward Europe."

MORALITY IS STRENGTH OF AMERICAN NATIONAL LIFE, EDUCATOR ASSERTS

Washington -- Rev. Francis J. Connell of the Catholic University of America declared that "Christian standards of chastity must be accepted again and put into practice. These standards are based on the teachings and example of Jesus Christ. We may not change those standards and broaden our views. Such ideas will inevitably bring moral disaster to our land and undermine the national life of American."

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New York -- Eric Johnston, president of the Motion Picture Association, praised producer Sam Goldwyn for his "reaffirmation of faith in the principles of the Production

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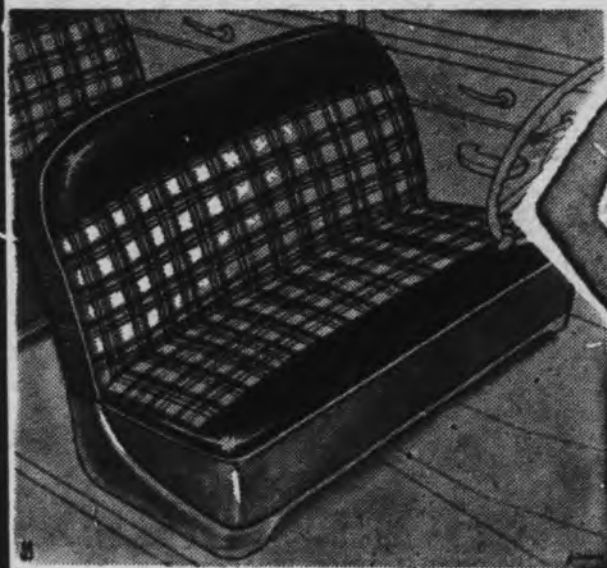
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Now Sig for years had been noted for his stick-pin which was in the form of a horse of white gold studded with diamonds. Nobody could think of Sig without thinking of his pin.

I said to him, "Sig you're taking a chance with that diamond pin around here in Broadway at night."

"Hmph! No slicker's slick enough to get that from me!"

Next morning when I picked up the paper, there was the headline. "Sig Stautelle, noted circus man, loses his diamond horse stick-pin."

Sig was good copy. Therefore he made the front page. He was unaccompanied by the missus. He'd been out that night on a little party. Didn't get drunk, because he never did. But he was having a good time, and some cutie he was honeying up snatched the sparkler.

The police got it back for him. Meanwhile the wires were burning for him to come home. Maria had seen that headline. And Sig went, cutting his visit very short.

She was the watch-dog of the treasury all right, whether it was diamond stick-pins or smaller ware.

One of the help would come to her when she was sitting in the red wagon.

"Sig sent me to get a dollar to buy a pair of overalls."

She'd look at him.

"You've got on a pair of pants, haven't you?"

"Yes."

"Well, then you don't need overalls."

They never cheated anybody, but they never paid any regular salary.

But this is getting ahead of my story. I didn't know anything about Sig when I joined up with him, except that he was making a name for himself in the circus business.

Later, when his wagon show became unwieldy, he went on the rails with a good sized No. 2 circus.

The first afternoon I was with him he watched me do my sleight of hand and sell my little tricks in the side show. Afterwards he walked up to me.

"Look here, young feller, is that all you can do for the money I'm paying you? What the heck d'ye think you're up to - playing the museum? You've got to be a Punch and Judy performer."

"I can't do Punch."

"You can't," cuffing me aside of the head. "If you don't, your trunk stays right here on the lot. Come over here and I'll show you how to work the figures. Maria, we've got a Punch and Judy performer."

After he'd given me my first lesson he wound up by saying, "William, some day you'll thank Sig Sautelle for showing you Punch and Judy. When you're an old man, and still in the business, you'll sell everything else but you won't part with Punch and Judy. That lives forever."

And so it has proved. The love of a circus man for his Punch and Judy never fails. In a span of fifty years mine have sometimes lain in the barn, unused, for months at a time. But now almost the only things I have retained of all my equipment are my Punch and Judy figures,

which I still like to go out and use in my old age.

After supper Sig came to me again.

"Bill, you've got to be a ventriloquist."

"Don't know as I can."

"Of course you can." And he gave me some circus language. Which never was fit to print, anyway.

"Want to be left here on the lot with your trunk? Maria, we've got a ventriloquist."

He showed me how, and that night I went to it, resolved to put on a good show, for Sig had my number by that time. I was only a young fellow and the prospect of being left, standing, on the lot, scared me.

In those days most circuses had what they called "nigger boards" - two platforms about 10x12 laid on the ground in front of the reserved seats. As soon as the show was over the workmen began tearing down the "blues" as the unreserved seats were called. But holders of reserved tickets were allowed to stay and see an extra performance given on the "nigger boards". That's where I came in.

With my two dummy figures I "vented", danced and sang, and soon had everybody going. The workmen would give me a cheer every time trail of broken twigs and bent they slammed down a pile of boards from the "blues". Sig heard it out in the side tent.

"There," he said to me afterwards, "you see what you can do when you try."

In the early days there was no such thing as a specialist around the show doing only one or two acts. Everybody did everything.

Sig had about 50 or 60 people working for him. His set-up followed the usual pattern of "mud shows" at that time. There was the "Big Top", or main tent. The horse tents, for the horse show. And no circus was complete without a side-show, known in the profession as the "kid show".

"See you over at the kid show," was a common remark among the performers.

In the kid show there was always a "Serpent Queen", or snake charmer. A magician, who doubled in Punch and Judy. A tattooed man. And generally a wild man, whose hours of wildness began when the side show opened and lasted until it closed. Then he reverted to civilization and helped pull down the tent.

We travelled by means of wagons and carry-alls. The jumps were short but the roads were rotten.

After striking the tents the troupers would go to the local hotel to spend the night, but the wagons, loaded with the heavy stuff, would start for the next town, leaving a bushes at every corner to show the way. At daybreak the troupers would wake up for breakfast, then pile into the carry-alls with their personal belongings, and follow.

We were playing the country towns along the Erie Canal, which was good territory in those days. I rode with Jim Magee, the Canadian Strong Boy, a big, raw-boned Canadian Irishman. And how he could throw cannon balls and heavy weights around!

He afterwards became famous as Prof. Atlas, and got to be a big feature. The last I knew of him he was running the Atlas Hotel in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Jim knew a trick or two to help out on the drinks. Not liquor, or any thing like that, but cow's milk. Traveling the road in the early morning he always could tell where a farmer had left his milk to cool in some little buttery down near the edge of a pond or stream.

We'd take time out to go over and get a good swig out of the can. If anybody came towards us, Jim would roar at them. They'd get scared and run away.

Of course in every town we had a circus parade. I well remember my first one.

My uniform was King Louis 17th., and from its appearance it must have been the original. It was moth eaten, dusty, and filthy, but I had to put it on. The parade wasn't very big, but we strung it out.

I rode a truck horse broad enough to split me in two. My riding mate the female impersonator.

He was an old-timer, even for those days, but an artist on make-up. He had lines on his face so deep you could run your finger through them, but when he made up to do

his turn he was a Mae West. On parade that day he wore a veil down to the end of his nose.

We went along, two by two. It was some day. All the village, and ten, more, had turned out to see the parade. The farmers for miles around had come in town, and horses were tied to every hitching post.

Standing on the sidewalk of the main street - and there was only one main street - I noticed two prim little old ladies who must have been twins. They were dressed in black, with little black bonnets tied under their chins; wore steel spectacles, knitted gloves which covered half of their hands, and carried parasols. They were a picture.

As we went past I heard one say to the other, "Jane, there they go - fearless, godless, and homeless."

Just then my side-kick lifted up his veil and spit out a shew of tobacco a lumberman couldn't have handled. The two little old ladies turned and ran away, shrieking.

Fearless, godless, and homeless!

It made such an impression on me that I wrote a piece about it and sent it to the old New York Clipper, which was the showman's Bible in those days. They published it, and it was used as a gag by comedians for quite a while.

As a matter of fact the glamor of the profession in the old days made the general public look on us as people apart. We weren't supposed to have any homes, but were regarded as nomads, or gypsies. Honestly, we were hardly supposed to be human.

People would ask us the most

foolish questions. "What do you do when it snows?" And I have heard them stand outside our cook tent at meal time and exclaim, "Why they actually eat with knives and forks!"

I stayed with Sig that season, and managed to save a little money by selling magic tricks, Punch and Judy whistles, books of magic, and one thing and another. In fact, I got so I liked it, and would do anything he wanted, just for the experience.

After leaving Sig my next circus was Harry Mann's - another mud show - which had a short and disastrous career owing to an insufficiency of bank roll on the part of the proprietor.

The outfit was so small that we couldn't muster a full sized parade, so we'd send the band wagon out to drum up business in every town we came to. Confidentially, we sometimes had to hire the horses to do it.

I was in charge of this stunt. We'd go down at the main square, and play for an hour or so before the show started.

In Manchester, N.H., one of the saloon keepers suggested that we play in front of his saloon. That made business good for him, so we got a round of drinks out of it. Another saloon keeper had the same idea. More drinks for us. By the time we got back to the big top we were feeling pretty good.

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ENTERTAINING AMERICA

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to the proprietor.
Harry fined me twenty-five bucks, and the rest of the band five dollars apiece. That was a good way for him to make money, but I objected.

I said: "What the h—ll! You're not paying us any salary - how do you think you're going to fine us?" Him and me didn't get along well after that. In Nashua, N.H. we had a fight, and split up. He was a big, powerful cuss, but I was pretty good myself in those days. Gave him two leads to the jaw - biff, biff, - the knee in the stomach, and he went out.

Then I went out - over the line into Massachusetts. The only salary I collected from him was the side-show tent and banners, which moved along with me.

For several seasons I played whatever I could - county fairs, mud shows, honky tonks, nickelodeons, dime museums, variety shows - anything.

Professionals had to start at the bottom and work up, and it was a tough life. A school of hard knocks. No dainty-fingered sissy could last in it. Sometimes it was catch-as-catch-can, with no holds barred.

Generally speaking, at the bottom of the ladder were the honky tonks, or German beer gardens. They were supposed to be very cheap. But the best performers worked in them when they were starting. And they paid pretty good money for those days.

Then came the dime museums - from New York clear to the middle West. And they were very nice theatres. All the large cities had dime museums with a curio hall, side shows, and stage - a continuous performance, all day long.

Those were the variety days. There wasn't any vaudeville then.

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PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Caleb S. Harriman late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real-estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-ninth day of January 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register.
J-13-20-27

But there was always plenty of The height of every performer's ambition was to play Tony Pastor's celebrated 14th. St. Theatre in New York. That was the tops. The best in the country, and the best from Europe, were in that theatre. It was nothing to see 15 or 16 acts on the stage.

As time rolled on, things changed to a better class of vaudeville in the better theatres. Then came more changes, which gradually brought vaudeville to the top, and now it's a dead issue. There are very few houses playing old time vaudeville. I've seen the day when a vaudeville actor could book 28 or 30 weeks from coast to coast. But not now. The movies have killed all that.

Just before the Spanish American War broke out I was down at Old Orchard Beach, Maine, with a man who was catching and training seals. I can't remember his name - my memory isn't what it used to be - but at one time he had been a colonel in the Southern army.

We caught the pup seals, kept work. Go to an agent in New York and he would book you for weeks. them in a salt water tank, trained them, and exhibited them in a caravan show. The old, simple tricks we taught them were just like breaking in a dog. My boss was very good at it, and was the originator of the talking seal.

Seals are easy to train. They are naturally playful. In the water, when they are wild, they like to catch fish and toss them in the air, catching them on their nose when they come down, so it's not very difficult to get them to do the same thing with a ball.

Besides the seals we had a tank full of alligators, and a lot of iguanas. The show was being bankrolled by a big shot in Boston, but we weren't getting anything out of it. As a matter of fact, the receipts were supposed to pay our salaries and other expenses. But they didn't.

Finally my partner and I decided to go out and collect our own salaries. So we split up. I took four seals, a tankful of alligators, a lot of the iguanas, and jumped to Lake Winnebago, to the Grand Army fair. The Spanish American war had started. I was doubling with another fellow. We made a play on war propaganda.

The iguanas were nothing but horned lizards, and really harmless. But we advertised them as the blood-sucking lizards the Spaniards were turning loose on prisoners in Cuba, and that made a big hit in the side show.

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The big shot in Boston was filling the mail with roars. "Bring back those animals!"

Well, I did bring part of them back. Every time one of the alligators died I'd cut off the end of his tail and send it along. "Here's one of your alligators."

When I returned to Boston a big criminal lawyer in Scollay Square got after me. I thumbed my nose at him. I was broke, as usual. You can't pump a dry well. And nothing I'd done had occurred in Massachusetts.

Next I teamed up with another fellow who was a good lecturer, and we opened a stand-up dime museum right side of the Globe Building on Washington Street in Boston. One feature we had certainly made a sensation.

A chap named Larue came along. He was a dare-devil. Later he went in for all sorts of death-grazing stunts - aeroplane acrobatics, automobile smash-ups, head-on collisions between locomotives, anything at all.

Right now he had conceived the idea of being nailed to the cross. He had tried it in some places. But the act had been stopped by the police because it was sacrilegious.

He came to us. We said, "No, we can't nail you to the cross because that's sacrilegious. But we can nail you to a tree."

So we fixed up a scene in which we nailed him to a tree, the same as the Spaniards were doing to prisoners down in Cuba. And we actually nailed him, right through the palms of his hands.

At first people refused to be fooled. They knew it was nothing but a rag, and they weren't going to fall for it. Those who saw it first went out and told others. And the others were skeptical.

But they were curious. Wanted to see what the stunt really was. So they'd come strolling in, mostly between 12 and 2 when the business offices were emptied for lunch. That was our best time of day.

We'd draw the curtain. There was a tree and the prisoner. Then we'd hold up the spikes, so the audience could see they were real spikes. Which they were. Only, the lower half of them had been tapered down so they were no bigger than a darning needle. We kept that end covered with our thumb and finger when we held them up.

Larue had been operated on. There were two incisions through the palms of his hands which he kept plugged with cocaine.

We'd jam him up against the tree, maul him about, and drive the spikes through the palms of his hands - that is, through the incisions, which the audience couldn't see. It really didn't hurt him a bit, but he'd struggle, groan, shudder, and do his stuff. It was very realistic.

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TOWN NOTES**WEATHER**

Cold. Last Thursday was the coldest of the season, although the Boston radios would have everyone believe that the 18th of January was. There was three inches of snow on the 10th, four inches on the 11th, three inches on the 12th, one inch on the 14th and two inches on the 16th. Total snowfall for the week was 13 inches which amounted to the equivalent of 61 inches of rain. The pumping station, incidentally, registered 18 degrees below zero last Thursday.

MIKE THE BOUNCER

Sen. McCarthy's session in Boston last week-end was productive of headlines in all the papers in the United States, when three individuals had to be forcibly ejected. It is our guess that the entire country saw the ejections, by means of TV. Wilmington people saw much more than that, however, if they happened to be watching their TV sets, for one of the five deputy US Marshalls who were supplying the brawn during the ejections was our own Mike Barry, well known resident of the Silver Lake area. Mike's picture, in action, was plastered on the front page of every newspaper we saw, with the exception of the Christian Science Monitor and the New York Times. The latter paper had a picture of the action, but Mike wasn't included.

We understand that after one of the men had been ejected, he wanted to get back into the building, for the purpose of mailing a letter. Mike told him there was a mailbox on the corner of the street.

NO NAMES

There was considerable merriment, last week, when some people

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learned that a citizen of this town had volunteered to assist the Finance Committee, in their deliberations over the budget. We don't believe his offer was taken up.

THE GREAT SNOWSTORM

Those of us who listen to our weather forecasters, on the radio last week, had impression that we were going to get the snowstorm of the century. One forecaster, whose name very closely resembles his profession, was practically hysterical, as he warned his listeners about the storm that was coming.

In our estimation the forecasters were wrong, and so were some of the papers that called it "worst storm". It was a piddling 8 or 10 inches, nothing like there used to be. It wasn't half as bad as a dozen "northeasters" that we have experienced. Maybe we have lived too many years--perhaps that's the trouble.

THE GREAT COLD SNAP

While we are talking about our weathermen, let's also have an argument about how cold it was. Some of our most eminent forecasters made the statement that the coldest weather, in Massachusetts, last Wednesday night, was about 12 degrees below zero.

We know of a dozen autos that froze up, and the owners told us that they were protected for 15 to 20 below. We also had several dozen reports, from various sources, about 24 degrees below, in many parts of the town. In the case of our thermometer, it read 14 below zero, and our neighbor read 17 below.

It could be that the thermometers were inaccurate, but with so many reports, plus the car freezings, we are inclined to doubt our experts. It is interesting, too, to note that the coldest reports came from those parts of town that were along the meadows and brooks, in practically every instance. We live on a hill, which is, in our belief, the reason we didn't get the very low temperature that others did.

SQUIRRELS

A friend of ours has remarked that there were an unusual number of squirrels in Wilmington this year. We must confess that we don't know, perhaps there are. If we recall our natural life studies, such as they were, it would seem that the squirrel population is subject to cycles perhaps we are in the middle of one of those cycles. On the other hand, perhaps it is merely a sign that there are more nuts available.

HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS AND/OR ENEMIES

One particular item about last Thursday's cold snap was the reaction in the local garages. They were all very, very busy, unfreezing frozen cars. We dropped into Gildart's, just to see how that place was handling the rush of business. It was their busiest day, since they opened in 1931. They had over 70 calls, for cars that would not start. They suspended all other business, just to take care of these calls, and, by evening, had managed to take care of every one. They did it, not by taking each call in turn, for that was impossible, but by doing the town by sections. If they had gone say to Silver Lake for the first call, then to East Wilmington, then to North Wilmington, etc etc, they would still probably be unfreezing cars, but they did take all the cars in one section, then all those in the next section, so as to make their efforts count for the most.

At the end of the day they did have everyone satisfied, but there were a lot of people that didn't un-

derstand why they had to wait so long.

As we say, we have this story from Gildart's, but we imagine the story was the same in all the other garages in town.

HATHAWAY ACRES BOWLING LEAGUE

Gladys Bickford	81.7
Betty Comey	76.0
Ruth Ridley	75.1
Millie Jansen	74.8
High Single	
Gladys Bickford	106
High Three	
Gladys Bickford	269
High Average	
Gladys Bickford	81.7
Team Standings	
Team	Won Lost
Pioneers	20 8
Powerhouse Five	16 12
Hamms	13 15
Jugs	7 21

STANDINGS FOR HOLY NAME BOWLING LEAGUE

14th Week			
Team	W	L	Pinf.
Eagles	39	17	21533
Bees	29	27	21221
Atoms	27	29	21302
Yanks	17	39	20981
High Single			
A. MacMullin			153
High Triple			
A. MacMullin			341
Team High Single			
Eagles			585
Team High Triple			
Eagles			1642
Ten Highest Averages			
A. MacMullin			98.3
R. Woods			92.3
J. Cunningham			92.0
A. Quandt			90.0
J. Good			90.0
G. MacMullin, Jr.			89.8
G. Smith			89.1
F. McGuinness			88.2
W. Busineau			87.3
C. O'Brien			86.7

UN GROUP FACES DELICATE SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Rome - One of the most delicate problems of the Food and Agricultural Organization is that of creating social conditions for workers which will help them exploit to the full the resources put at their disposal.

This view was expressed by Pope Pius XII to delegates of 69 nations attending the seventh general conference of the UN specialized agency, held at its headquarters here.

"It is useless to send experts to teach workers new methods and to improve mechanical equipment," he said, "if the human condition in which man finds himself prevents him from deriving the fruit he has a right to expect from his efforts."

He stressed that the primary element of success in works of economic betterment is the assurance that the resulting common improvement will not come at the expense of individuals.

He said that this social element, which is closely associated with FAO's labors, is "truly significant" and was the reason for his contribution to the program.

NAVY MEN MAKE PILGRIMAGE FOR SAFETY IN KOREA

Fatima, Portugal - A large group of U. S. Navy men visited the shrine of Our Lady of Fatima here in thanksgiving for their safe and successful duty in Korean waters. Led by their chaplain, the men made the pilgrimage when their aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. Lake Champlain, stopped at Lisbon enroute back to the U. S. from Korea.

Paris (IES) - The Russian Ambassador intervened directly with French communists in the recent Presidential election.

Bobby Thomson has led the New York Giants in home runs for five straight years - 1949 (27), 1950 (25), 1951 (32), 1952 (24) and 1953 (26).

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Armed Forces Seek Self-Discipline

By Major General John M. Devine, United States Army

THE EFFECTIVE fighting man is one who is prepared not only physically and militarily, but also morally and spiritually to face the ordeal of battle.

In that hell of battle you discover who are the tough fighters. They are seldom the men who talk tough, who revel in obscene language, who boast of their drinking ability and immorality.

THE REALLY TOUGH fighting man is the man with physical endurance, courage, initiative, determination, intelligence, and respect for himself and others. When the going is rough, he is quite likely to seek a renewal of strength in prayer. General Devine His sense of responsibility will not permit him to hide from combat. He will drive forward to close with the enemy while the so-called "tough" guy, as likely as not, will hide in the brush.

Therefore the kind of discipline we seek to develop in our Service people is self-discipline. It is the discipline a free nation demands of its citizens. It is the Christian self-control and strength of will.

DISCIPLINE is not to be measured exclusively by the smartness of saluting. It is measured by the behavior of the individual when he is no longer under supervision. True discipline comes from within; it compels a man to do the right thing

because it is the right thing to do, and he knows what is right.

The task of translating our Nation's lofty ideals into an actual force in our everyday lives, is, of course, the responsibility of the American family, community, and school. But if we are to train the whole man in the Armed Forces, we cannot assume that every trainee is fully aware of the significance of the fundamental principles enunciated in the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights.

NEITHER CAN WE assume that because some of our men have no apparent respect for moral principles that they will not benefit from spiritual and moral training. We know that we must train men and women to cope with the realities of a world in mortal ideological conflict.

Whenever our training programs are being conducted with full realization of the nature of the people we train, our Service personnel is being influenced by Christian principles. They are the same principles that recognize the dignity, the individuality, and the God-given rights of every man and woman anywhere in the life of this Christian Nation.

YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER in the Armed Forces is recognized as an individual whose spiritual as well as physical needs must be provided for, whose morals must be safeguarded, whose military discipline must be self-discipline based on understanding.

† Paulist Feature Service, Washington 17, D. C.

McClaren, lg	0	0	0
Totals	20	14	54
Wilmington Girls			
	G	F	P
Anderson, lg	0	0	0
Geswell, lg	0	0	0
Harris, rg	0	0	0
Hoben, rg	0	0	0
DePiano, rg	0	0	0
Fisher, cg	0	0	0
Buck, cf	0	2	2
Caveralo, cf	1	0	2
Bennett, lf	13	5	31
Pellerin, rf	1	0	2
Ashworth, rf	3	0	6

Totals 18 7 43
Referee - Zullo, Roberts.
Time: Four 8-minute periods.

Wilmington Boys			
	G	F	P
Chinn, rf	5	13	23
Nelson, lf	1	0	2
DePiano, lf	1	1	3
Earley, c	1	0	2
Digi, rg	2	4	8
Crehan, rg	1	4	6
Gillis, lg	1	1	3

Totals 12 23 47
Tewksbury Boys

	G	F	P
Aspel, lg	0	0	0
McPherson, lg	0	4	4
Davis, lg	3	0	6
Briggs, rg	1	1	3
Doherty, rg	1	0	2
Mathews, c	0	0	0
Golden, c	2	4	8
Barrelle, lf	1	0	2
Kelley, lf	2	0	4
Marion, lf	3	1	7
Day, rf	2	2	6

Totals 15 12 42
Referee - Roberts, Pierson.
Time: Four 8-minute periods.

FREE PEOPLE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN MINDSZENTY, SECRETARY DULLES STATES

New York -- "The case of Cardinal Mindszenty, a defender of the faith and of human freedom against both of the great tyrannies of our time, is not closed," Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said here. "It is actively before the conscience of his countrymen and that of free peoples throughout the world. The prolongation of his unjust incarceration adds daily to the moral poverty of his captors."

Mr. Dulles gave this message at a meeting held here to mark the fifth anniversary of Cardinal Mindszenty's arrest by the Communist rulers of Hungary.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, Senator Irving M. Ives of New York, and Senator Alexander Smith of New Jersey also spoke at the meeting, the proceedings of which were recording by the Voice of American for broadcast to Eastern Europe.

Several methods have developed for automatic removal of ashes, thus curing one of the anthracite industry's ancient headaches.

aggressively for the rest of the season.

Wilmington's overall score, at the end of the game was one game won, and two lost, in both the boys' and girls' team.

The Wilmington girls' team, the same night, lost a heartbreaker to the Tewksbury girls by a score of 54 to 43. Bennett, as usual, was the high scorer for the Wilmington girls, and Miss Lawlor, Tewksbury's best player, made the high score for her team.

Tewksbury Girls			
	G	F	P
Doherty, rf	4	1	9
Briggs, lf	5	1	11
Lawlor, cf	11	12	34
Shay, cg	0	0	0
Farrell, rg	0	0	0

Audiences Set Moral Tone Of Movies

By Loretta Young

JUST WHAT IS the responsibility of the actor to the nation? I think that the nature of the actor's vocation, his duties and obligations, are well summed up in these words of a great man:

"Recreation in its manifold variety has become a necessity of people who labor under the fatiguing conditions of modern industry. But it must be worthy of the rational nature of man, and therefore must be morally healthy. It must be elevated to the rank of a positive factor, for good — and must Loretta Young seek to arouse a noble sentiment. A people, who in time of repose give themselves to diversions which violate decency, honor or morality; to recreations which, especially to the young, constitute occasions for sin, are in grave danger of losing their greatest, even their national power."

THIS INDICATES not only the actor's duties and obligations, it also implies a responsibility on the part of the audience to indicate to the actor and the producer the moral tone of the entertainment he will pay to see and hear.

Who is to say whether the Greek Theatre in its despairing

pictures of the darker sins was presenting bizarre entertainment for its own sake, or just reflecting the tastes and habits and sins of many of its viewers.

WHO IS TO SAY which preceded the downfall of the Roman Empire — the brutalizing effects of its entertainments, or the jaded, brutish tastes of its audiences, their racial and religious prejudices and prejudices, their undisciplined absorption with self and sin and sex.

I don't think we need worry too much about the basic tastes of American audiences. They patronize and make popular such pictures as "Song of Bernadette," "Going My Way," and "The Broken Arrow." We salute the courage and good taste of the producers who made them. The element of success in those pictures was their essential honesty in writing, producing, and treatment.

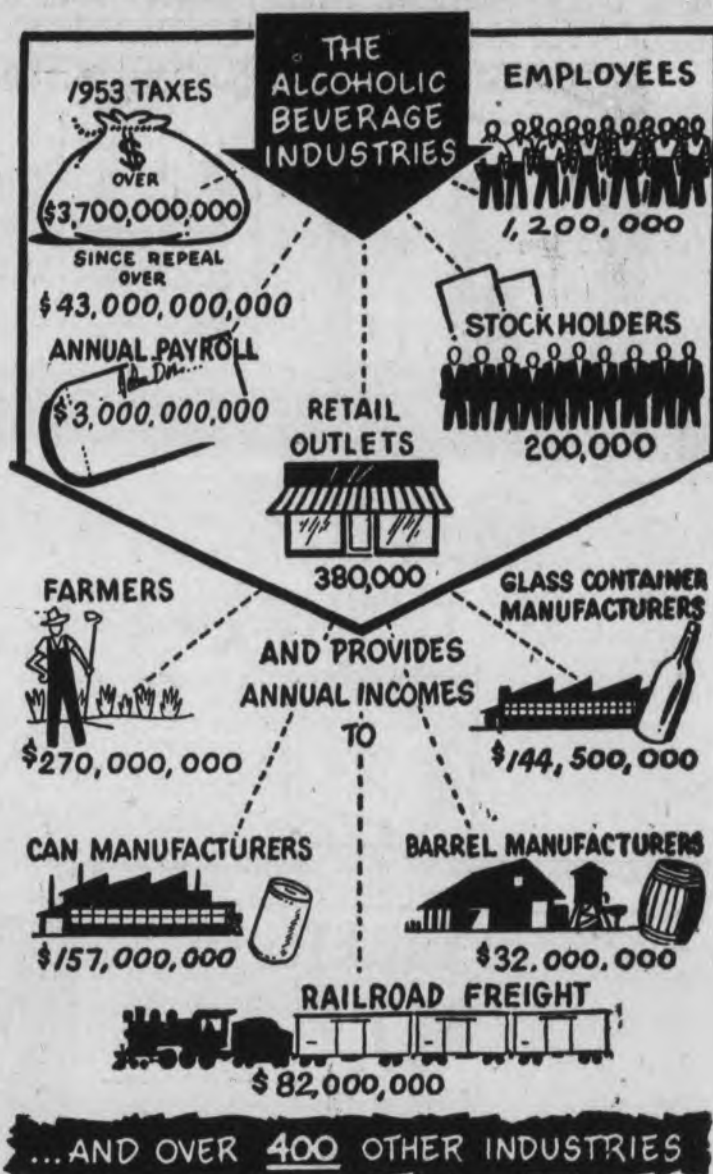
EACH ONE OF US has a job to do. It begins, I think, with a sense of personal responsibility for what has befallen the world and what we hope for the world to be.

"To whom much has been given, much is expected."

THAT ACTOR is successful, whose life, public and private, reflects a portion of the gratitude he feels for the talents God gave him — and which his audience encouraged him to develop.

† Paulist Feature Service, Washington 25, D. C.

What 20 Years Of Repeal Means To The U.S.



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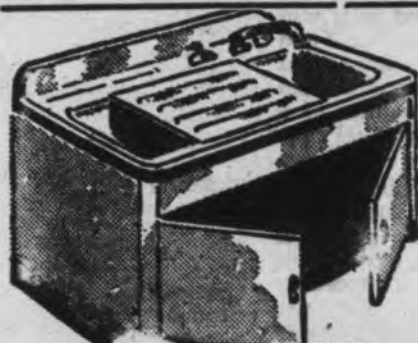
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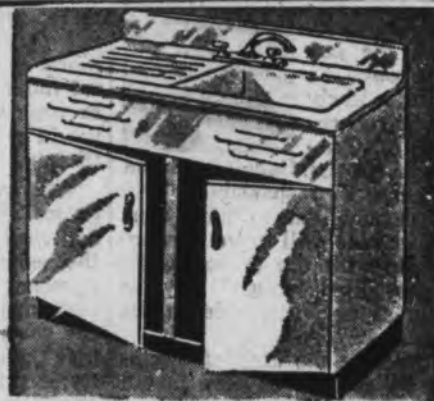
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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC MEN AND WOMEN:

On Thursday Evening at eight o'clock we will hold a meeting of our parishioners in St. Thomas Parish Hall to discuss the aims of the Council and the plans to accomplish them. All the men and women of the parish are invited to attend.

In this Year of Mary we should answer the Call of the Holy Father to renew and increase our Spiritual Life. The National Council will give us incentive and strength.

To our Town Officers and their Assistants: A tribute of appreciation. They help Wilmington to "Go to Church" by clearing the snow from the highways and paths to the Churches of the Town.

The Gospel which was read at Mass Sunday tells us that Jesus and Mary were invited to a Marriage at Cana, and they were present.

If you are looking forward to Marriage in Your life, the Gospel leads us to ask, "Will Jesus and Mary be invited and will they be present at your wedding?"

"Marriages", we are told, "are made in Heaven". To be sure that yours is made and blessed in Heaven would you like some kindly advice? Start with this knowledge, God loves you. Give your loving attention and obedience to the three and your hope of married happiness will have a strong foundation.

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LAKE RESIDENTS IRED OVER UNPLOWED SIDEWALK

Residents of the Silver Lake area of Wilmington were up in arms, last week-end when the sidewalk from Silver Lake to the Tewksbury line remained unplowed, after the rest of the town had been plowed out.

Calls were made to the board of Selectmen, as individuals, as to the Town Manager, by protesting residents. One of the callers stated that she would not under any circumstances allow her children to walk to school along Main street, and another individual, who called the Crusader office, was just as emphatic about the danger. He stated that he had had to jump into the snowbank, to avoid being struck by tanker trucks, speeding at 40 mph, and that he doubted if a small child would be able to do this.

After the highway department had received the protests the sidewalk was plowed out.

THE GOVERNOR'S DAY

By Helen Hall Mahoney
Chairman George F. Booth and Most Reverend Bishop John J. Wright of the Central Massachusetts Disaster Relief Committee had luncheon with Governor Herter in the Office last week. There was apple pie for dessert but the Bishop and Mr. Booth, evidently watching their calories, declined it. As they talked, the pie remained in sight with both Mr. Booth and the Bishop casting occasional wistful glances at it. Finally, Mr. Booth spoke: "Bishop, would you SHARE one piece of that pie with me?" The Bishop quickly assented, they cut

Asks America's Support



Howard W. Watts of Indianapolis, newly elected national commander of the Disabled American Veterans, urges all Americans to protect the nation's rehabilitation program for its disabled veterans. Watts, 43, lost his right arm in the Italian campaign of World War II.

one of the pieces in halves and each ate his half with great satisfaction.

Speaking of food, while Governor Herter has a good appetite and enjoys eating, he's not at all "fussy" about his menus. For several months, every day he was in the office he ate a chicken salad sandwich and apple pie for lunch. . . until the office staff couldn't stand it any longer. . . they changed the menu to lobster salad, and a piece of melon, and he's been eating that ever since, with the occasional addition of a piece of apple pie.

An interesting letter from Oscar Perkins of Gloucester told of a two-hundred year old needlework piece of art depicting Christ answering the Pharisees as to the value of the penny. The writer's mother was offered \$2000. for the piece but refused to sell it.

Arthur J. Lambert of Dodge, Mass., visited the office the other day with his pretty fiancé, Doris Hazzard. He was the 6000th Korean veteran to receive a bonus check and said that he planned to spend the money (\$300.) on a honeymoon trip to Florida in June. He and Doris evidently are not superstitious since he gave his fiancé her engagement ring on Friday, November 13th, he said.

Mimi Gloria Cozzens of Emerson College, chosen "Massachusetts State Campus Queen" was crowned by Governor Herter recently. A modest, charming person, she related that when she received the summons to the School Office (where she learned of her award) she died a thousand deaths on the way there, wondering what offense she had committed. Incidentally, in the National competition in New York last week, although Miss Arkansas won the "American Campus Queen," our Mimi won the National award for "Poise and Personality."

After Henry Glovsky of Beverly was sworn in as senator the other day, Governor Herter gave him a formal introduction to the various members of the Governor's Council. As the Governor followed the course of the Council circle he pronounced each name and the new senator shook the councillor's hand. Councillor Thompson was absent but as they reached his desk, both the Governor and Senator were amused to discover 5-year-old Mark Glovsky seated in the absent councillor's chair, with his hand stretched out to greet his father.

That anything can happen in a governor's office can be attested to by assistant secretary Vincent Celeste.

A lady in her seventies visited the office recently. Celeste did his best to help her. . . and his best was so good that when she was about to leave she turned suddenly and said: "Oh, you're just a darling. . . I don't care who's looking, I'm going to kiss you right on the lips." Vinnie feigned, and stepped back quickly. . . leaving us all to wonder if Vincent would have stepped back so quickly if the lady had been twenty.

ROBERT KERR IN HAWAII

KANEHE BAY, T.H. (FHTNC)

Serving at the Marine Corps Air Station here with the Marine Air Maintenance Squadron of Marine Air Group 13 is Marine PFC. Robert A. Kerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Kerr of Crescent Street, Wilmington, Mass.

The Maintenance Squadron serves the air element of the 1st Provisional Marine Air-Ground Task Force. New and unique among Marine combat units, the task force is the first training unit in which the Marine Corps has brought both air and ground units under a single command.

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CLIFF SWALLOW

In some areas this relatively common swallow is known as the Eaves Swallow. The names suggest that the birds may nest under the eaves of buildings or a cliffs. The nests are often more obvious than the birds. They are usually gourd-shaped structures of mud with a lining of grass, leaves, feathers and wool. Of course, they differ from the burrows of the Bank Swallows and the mud nests of the Barn Swallows.

The National Wildlife Federation is interested in all kinds of wildlife whether this refers to game species or not and would welcome observations made on these birds. The Cliff Swallow, Petrochelidon pyrrhonota, is about 6 inches long with

a wingspread of just over 1 foot and a tail about 2-1/2 inches long. The sexes are about equal in size. The most distinguishing field character is the light brown to buffy rump and the square-tipped tail. The upper parts are steel blue, much like those of the Barn Swallow. While



CLIFF SWALLOW

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the Bank Swallow has a whitish throat patch, the throat of the Cliff Swallow is dark.

There are 3 subspecies of the Cliff Swallow recognized: the Northern, the Mexican and the Lesser. Of these, the Northern has as its breeding ground the region from central Alaska to Cape Breton Island south through the United States except for Florida and the Rio Grande Valley. In winter, the birds migrate south through Florida and Central America to Brazil and the Argentine returning to the North in time for the Spring breeding season.

In the nest the female Cliff Swallow lays 4 to 5 white or creamy and pinkish eggs that are marked with dark brown or reddish brown. The eggs are about 4/5 inch by 2/3 inch at their maximum and it would take 16 of them to reach a weight of one ounce. There is but one annual brood and the incubation and the care of the young is shared by both parents. Incubation takes from 12 to 14 days.

The fact that Cliff Swallows nest in colonies is often to their disadvantage. Such colonies are bound to attract attention and survival in any species is more likely if attention of potential enemies is avoided.

In the nest-making, muddy materials may be dropped to the porch floors beneath the eaves and this creates a condition that is not appreciated by tidy folks. The result of course is that the cause is removed. This is unfortunate both for the swallows and for the men involved. The food of these swallows is almost exclusively insects. Among the insects found in some 375 stomachs of these birds were the following whose names are likely to raise the ire of farmers and those whose living depends on the raising of plant crops. Alfalfa weevils, chinch bugs, rice weevils, and cotton boll weevils. With them were spiders and now and then a few wild berries.

One should not evaluate all of nature solely on an economic basis and anyone who has taken the opportunity of studying Cliff Swallows or other swallows for that matter need not be enlightened by lists of noxious creatures that enter the diet of the birds to become their champions. The birds are just good, ordinary, beautiful neighbors and as such they deserve our friendship and cooperation.

E. Laurence Palmer



GOVERNOR KERR OFFERS TO RECOGNIZE TEXAS

As a symbol of his willingness to grant "full recognition," in the name of Massachusetts, to the state of Texas, Governor Herter of the Bay State is shown above trying on a Lone Star State hat. Seen in 1846, the Massachusetts General Court adopted a resolution condemning the admission of Texas to the Union. This resolution is still on the books of the Massachusetts Legislature, although Governor Herter has stated to Governor Alan Shivers of Texas that "it is perhaps fitting that friendly relations be officially established at this time."

WOMEN'S CLUB MEETS TOMORROW

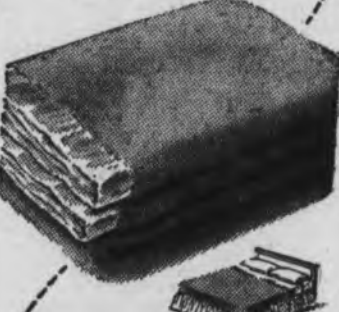
The Wilmington Women's club will meet in vestry of the Wilmington Methodist church tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. for a coffee hour. After the business meeting, at 2 p.m. Mrs. Elmer V. Graczyk will be the speaker. Hostess for the meeting is Mrs. Myer Weinberg, and assisting are Mesdames Kenneth Kelly, John Wilson, Anton Thiel, John White, John Nitchie, Frank Darling, Earl Jones, Leroy Bedell, Mirrot Anderson and Frank Stevens.

P T A CARD PARTY JAN. 26TH

The Wilmington Parent Teachers Association card party, on January 26th, in the high school cafeteria, will have at least forty tables, according to the latest announcement. PTA officials are anxious to have at least 60 tables for the party, in order that a sufficient amount of money be raised for the scholarship fund.

The party, held annually, features all types of card games, and is design to augment the Scholarship Fund of the Wilmington P.T.A., for high school students. Mrs. Dean C. Cushing is chairman of this year's party, which begins at 8 p.m. next Tuesday.

Officials of the PTA are hoping that those persons who do not care to play cards, and who would like to help the Scholarship Fund will remember that they can send a check to the Wilmington Scholarship Fund, in care of Mrs. Cushing. Any further information desired may be had by calling OL-8-3043.

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Father Fleming writes in part that "By such means can we ever reconcile mankind beyond grandiose world plans and redeem our promises before the world as to our sincerity and ideals." "Charity will not cover our mistakes or sins but it can provide testimony that 'high sounding slogans' do bear tangible proofs of kindness."

Chaplain Fleming, who is Past Department Chaplain of The American Legion, as well as of the Forty and Eight Society, is a native of Worcester and at the time of re-entering the service in 1952 was stationed in Springfield. He asks for such things as Clothing, Medical Supplies, and canned goods for the "war weary and poorest but bravest of our allies." Donations of these items or gifts of money may be sent to the Protestant or Catholic Chaplain, or to the Wing Chaplain, 4th Fighter-Interceptor Wing, A.P.O. #76, care of the Postmaster, San Francisco, California or to either John D. Crowley, Chairman, Room #309 city Hall, Cambridge 39, Mass., or to Robert C. Quintal, Co-Chairman 34 Dickinson Street, Springfield, Mass.

VFW WHIST TONIGHT

The Nee-Ellsworth post 2458, VFW will have a whist party tonight, in their headquarters on Main street. A good list of prizes has been obtained, and the party is open to the public. Refreshments are to be served.

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LARRY CUSHING TALKS AT ROTARY CLUB

Speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club of Wilmington, last week, was Larry Cushing, Director of Physical Education in the Wilmington public schools.

Physical education, today, Mr. Cushing said, is not something devoted to growing huge muscles, but rather a method of inculcating into the students a proper appreciation of their physical, social, emotional and mental attributes, and the proper use of their leisure time. We combine with these studies and activities a course in safety education, in the schools, with different methods for the different age groups. In the safety education we are assisted by the Wilmington police, among whom I might mention Chief of Police Paul Lynch, and Officer John Imbimbo.

My job as physical education director takes me to all the schools, and it is part of my job to see that the bus program is run safely. You may not believe it, but the Wilmington school buses run 351 miles every day, taking the children to and from school. We try to teach the children safety, in connection with the bus schedules.

In connection with any physical educational program, the director must keep in touch with the general health of the students. He must have a good knowledge of anatomy, biology, physiology and hygiene. It isn't only the physical educational director who does this, for there is always help from other sources, and we have a lady coach to more closely supervise the girl's activities.

Our safety program includes projects in the various classes, which are worked out to best be understood by the child. We have patrol lines, for crossing streets, and we have object lessons about dangers of traffic, and of the necessity for discipline, and what to do in an emergency. Included are projects which are better learned by having the pupils draw pictures which inculcate safety, and our drawing teacher, Mrs. Anderson is a wonderful help in this.

We also have lessons on "How we do not act behind the wheel" and "How we do not cross the street," which the children have shown they learn very well. Once I crossed Main street, at Silver Lake, without touching the traffic light, because there were no cars in sight. I heard about it, a few days later, from a boy who had seen it, and had learned that he should always use the traffic light!

Wilmington has a very good driver education class, for the high school students, which is run by Mr. De Luca. At the present time it is also running a driver education school as part of the Adult Evening school, and this class is very popular with the older folks too. Incidentally, if your child has graduated from this school, and is under 25, you can save yourself up to \$27 a year, in insurance. Better see the insurance agent who took care of your cars insurance, and learn the details! There are 43 adults in the driver education class, and they study every Tuesday and Thursday, from 7 to 9 p.m. They have 80 hours of theory, and 8 hours of practical lessons behind the wheel.

Next year we anticipate that there will be 48 students in the high school taking the driver education course.

Mr. Cushing finished his remarks with the showing of a driver education film, after which colored movies taken by Clifford Good, Superintendent of the Wilmington public schools at the last May Day, were shown.

FRIENDS OF BOY SCOUTS ORGANIZE

In a meeting in the Wilmington High school, Monday night, about 40 persons discussed plans for organizing a movement, which, for the want of a better name at the time, was called "Friends of Boy Scouts". Officials present included Ed Butler, Greater Lowell Council Commissioner, Foster Balser, commissioner of District 3, Edward Curtis, Chairman of District 3, and Charles H. Black, Anthony Meads and Larz Neilson, Institutional representatives. Curtis presided at the meeting.

Butler told the group that the Greater Lowell Council was in need of \$3000, for operating expenses for the year 1954. The 1954 budget for the council, which includes 46 troops of Boy Scouts, and pack of Cub Scouts, in 11 communities, was \$21,500. Of this \$16,500 had been contributed by the Lowell Community Chest, in which every community in the area, with the exception of Wilmington, was represented. \$2,000 had been contributed by an organization known as the "Old Scouts". \$3000 more was needed, from various sources, and Butler was in hopes that some of this money could be raised in Wilmington, which, so far has made very little contribution towards the upkeep of the Greater Lowell Council, which serves Wilmington as well as the other communities.

Included in the operations of the council was Camp Wah-tut-ca, which Wilmington boys used each summer. The cost to any boy is \$18, for one week, but the operating cost to the council is \$23 per boy, Butler said.

Butler cited figures to show that the Greater Lowell Council was not operating at any where near its greatest efficiency, due to a lack of funds. Of the 49 Councils in New England, the Greater Lowell Council places 49th, Butler stated. Lack of operational funds brings scouting to only one boy in each seven who would like to be part of the movement in Lowell, Butler said. Wilmington was at the top of the list, with one boy out of three enrolled. Promotions and kindred learnings were also retarded, because of the lack of funds.

Plans were made by the organization for a drive for funds, in the near future. Details will be announced later.

MURPHY A CANDIDATE FOR STATE LEGION OFFICE

At the January meeting of Middlesex County Council, The American Legion, held in Cambridge, Robert F. 'Sam' Murphy of Medford, formerly of Winchester, was unanimously endorsed for the office of Department Vice Commander at the convention to be held in Pittsfield, Mass on June 24, 25 and 26, next. The nomination was made by Past Commander Patrick T. Foley of Winchester post #97 and there was an unprecedented rush of post's delegates to second the nomination. Murphy who is one of the best known younger Legionnaires in the Commonwealth had a remarkable record in World War II when he served aboard the U.S.S. Virgo of the Fifth Fleet in the stepping-stone advance of the American forces north from Guadalcanal to Japan.

He has served Winchester Post 97 twice as its commander and had been Junior and Senior Vice Commander and in 1952-1953 was Commander of Middlesex County Council. At the Department Convention held in Lowell last summer he was a candidate for Vice Commander and lost by only five votes.

Murphy is married to the former Barbara MacNiff of Littleton, Mass., and now resides on Mystic Valley Parkway, Medford.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I wish to take this time to inform you, that I have changed duty stations. I am no longer with Combat Div. 21.

It was a great pleasure receiving the Crusader at my last duty station. And I would like very much to continue receiving it at my present one.

I would also like to thank you, the American Legion, and everyone else that has made it possible for me and everyone else in the service to receive our home town news. It is wonderful to keep up with the going ons while one is so far away from home.

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LEGION HAS "NOTABLE NIGHT" TOMORROW

Wilmington post 136, American Legion will have a "notable night" tomorrow, at the clubhouse on Adams street. Included among the guests expected are Charles Colatos, State Department Vice Commander, Past County Commander Sam Murphy, present County Commander Harold Collins, County Junior Vice Commander George Walker and County Treasurer Bill Slone, of Burlington. Dean C. Cushing, Town Manager, is to be the guest of the post, and will be one of the speakers. The meeting starts at 8 p.m.

GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

The annual meeting of the Greater Lowell Council, Girl Scouts, is to be held in Lowell on January 26th at 10:30 a.m., in the Girl Scout building on Middlesex street. Among the Wilmington leaders planning to attend are Mrs. William Traet, Mrs. Claude Helwig and Mrs. Robert Robinson. All Wilmington leaders planning to attend are asked to call Mrs. Robert Robinson OL-8-2207.

FIRE IN THE THRUSH GARAGE

The Wilmington Fire Department was called to the home of Herbert Thrush, on Salem street, on January 13th, when a fire started in the garage adjacent to the home, at about 3:35 p.m. The fire was put out without much damage. An overheated wood stove was blamed for the cause.

GIRL SCOUT LEADERS MEETING FEB 18TH

The next leaders meeting, of the Wilmington Girl Scouts, has been set for Feb. 18th.

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